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Ms. Alice F. Duke became the Associate Director of the U.S. Army Engineer Research and Development Center (ERDC) in January 2011.

As Associate Director, Duke assists the ERDC in managing one of the most diverse research organizations in the world, with seven laboratories located in four states and more than 2,500 employees, \$1.2 billion in facilities and an annual research program exceeding \$1.5 billion. She also assists in the day-to-day operation of the organization's research mission and administrative activities.

ERDC R&D supports the Department of Defense and other agencies in military and civilian projects. Principal research mission areas include Warfighter support, installations, environment, water resources, and information technology. Research projects include facilities, airfields and pavements, protective structures, sustainment engineering, environmental quality, installation restoration, compliance and conservation, regulatory functions, flood control, navigation, recreation, hydropower, topography, mapping, geospatial data, winter climatic conditions, oceanography, environmental impacts and information technology.

The ERDC has been named the Army's R&D Organization of the Year five of the last eight years.

Prior to being named Associate Director, Duke served as ERDC's Deputy to the Commander, a position she held for nearly four years. In the role, she provided management, policy direction and strategic oversight to ERDC's Command Staff Division and represented the Commander on all civilian matters in his absence.

Duke began her ERDC career in 1982, when she joined the Environmental Laboratory as a mathematician. She was employed with the ERDC Information Technology Laboratory (ITL) as a computer scientist from 1986 to 2007, with the exception of a three-year period as an Air Force civilian where she served in a similar role.

From 2002 to 2007, Duke served as chief of the ITL Infostructure and Knowledge Management Division, a geographically distributed workforce responsible for the information technology and management infrastructure supporting the ERDC research and development mission.

Ms. Duke earned a bachelor's degree in psychology from Wake Forest University in Winston-Salem, N.C., and a master's degree in computer science and mathematics from Mississippi College with post-graduate studies in computer science from Mississippi State University.

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